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PROGRAM

CARL DAMM, THE CDU BUNDESTAG DEPUTY WHO ON MARCH 31 URGED THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE TO BUY GERMAN TANKS IN RETURN FOR FRG PURCHASE OF AWACS, HAS "UNCONDITIONALLY" WELCOMED THE US-FRG TANK HARMONIZATION PROGRAM, ACCORDING TO "DIE WELT." THE "FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE" (FAZ) ALSO REPORTED DAMM'S ASSURANCE, SPEAKING FOR THE CDU BUNDESTAG PARLIAMENTARY GROUP, THAT A GOVERNMENT HEADED BY THE CDU/CSU WOULD BE PREPARED TO TAKE THE NECESSARY PRODUCTION DECISIONS FOR LEOPARD II ON THE BASIS OF THE LEBER/RUMSFELD AGREEMENT. THE FAZ CONTINUED THAT THE CDU CONSIDERED DEPLOYMENT OF THE NEW TANK IN THE BUNDESWEHR BY 1979 AT THE LATEST AS "IRREVOCABLE."

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